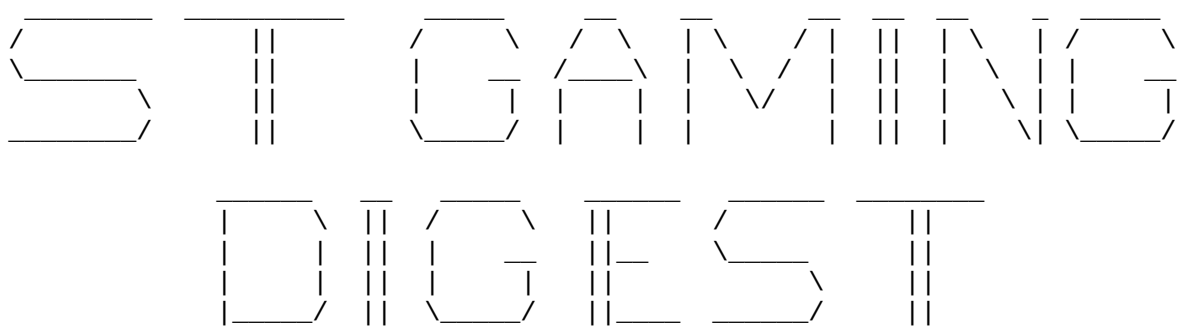

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A bi-monthly guide to new and upcoming Atari ST games

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Z editorial:

Lemmings 2: The Tribes (Psygnosis) is supposed to ship next week.
So is War In The Gulf (Readysoft/Empire), aka Team Yankee III.
Still waiting for Falcons to ship in quantities. My local dealer got the one demo unit so far, but that's it.
Still waiting for Frontier: Elite 2 (Konami) as well. Matter of fact, I'm going slightly mad from all this waiting. I need a decent space combat/trade/simulator bad... Epic was such a disappointment.
The new one from the Bitmap Brothers should ship soon as well. It's called Chaos Engine, and it's under the Renegade label.
That's all for now...

See y'all in July!

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ST Gaming News:

Games Released From March 7th To May 14th 1993:

Domestic:

--Air Support (Psygnosis).

Imported:

--Action Sport (Daze).
--Bunny Bricks (Daze).
--Civilization (Microprose).
--Firehawk (Codemasters).
--The Greatest (Beaujolly) (Lure Of Temptress/Shuttle/Whirlwind Snooker).
--Multi-Player Vroom (UBI Soft/Lankhor).
--Omar Shariff's Bridge (Oxford Softworks)
--Transarctica (Daze).
--The Voyage Beyond (Gremlin) (Space Crusade mission disk).

Budget games and re-issues:

--Bignose (Codemasters).
--Fire And Forget 2 (Titus Budget).
--Hot Rubber (Titus Budget).
--Offshore Warrior (Titus Budget).
--Prehistorik (Titus Budget).
--RBI 2 Baseball (The Hit Squad).
--Swap (Titus Budget).
--Titan (Titus Budget).
--Truck Racing (Zeppelin Platinum).
--Videokid (GBH).
--Wild Streets (Titus Budget).

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The Falcon Guide

Atari (US/UK):

--------In the works:
--No Title Yet (Intergalactic Development, makers of UMS I and II), murder mystery in 19th Century London.
--Llamazap (Jeff Minter), you probably expected a psychedelic shoot'em'up, right? Well, that's exactly what it is!
--Steel Talons (Tengen), conversion of the Atari helicopter coin-op.

Cocktel-Vision (FR):

--------In the works:
--Gobliiins, an amusing fantasy mouse-driven non-scrolling puzzler.
--Gobliins 2: The Prince Buffoon, you only control 2 goblins in this one.
--Ween: The Prophecy, fantasy graphic adventure.

Daze Marketing (UK):

--------In the works:
--Ishar: Legend Of The Fortress, Dungeon Master-style 3D fantasy RPG.
--Ishar 2: The Messengers Of Doom.

Millenium (UK):

--------In the works:
--Daughter Of Serpents (Eldritch Software), spooky 1920's Egyptian mystery.
--Rome AD92, climb the Roman social ladder by all means necessary.

Mirage (UK):

--------In the works:
--Raiden, overhead-view vertical-scrolling shoot'em'up. Coin-op conversion.
--Space Junk (Imagitec), Elite meets Mercenary III. Space trading adventure.

Psygnosis (UK):

--------In the works:
--Innocent, "incredibly user-friendly" futuristic RPG.

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Stuff In The Works Without A Publisher Yet:

--Disaster Strikes (Nirvana Systems).
--The Edge (Nirvana Systems).
--Guy Fawkes (Code Monkeys), cutesy platform game.

Accolade (UK):

--Elvira II: The Jaws Of Cerberus (Horrorsoft), mouse-driven graphic adventure. 1 meg required, hard-drivable.
--------In the works:
--Waxworks (Horrorsoft), combines the best aspects of Elvira (hit point and spellcasting system) and Elvira II (more interesting places to explore) in a game aimed at horror fans.

Action 16 (UK): see Digital Integration (UK)...

Alternative (UK): (Budget)

--Kids Pack, contains Count Duckula (No Sax Please, We're Egyptians), Postman Pat, and The Munsters (really stinks).
--Popeye 2 (Quex), oh darn, I thought this was going to be like the old Nintendo coin-op, but no dice. It's a pretty mediocre platform game.
--Thomas The Tank Engine, as seen on PBS. No sign of Ringo Starr though...
--------In the works:
--Huckleberry Hound, no details.
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Admiral (UK): (Budget)

--Dalek Attack, starring Doctor What? Why? Something like that...<G>
The less said about this game, the better.

Anco (UK):

--Football Crazy Challenge, no details.
--Tip Off, basketball.
--------In the works:
--English League, containing a full 4 division league. KO2 data disk.
--Giants Of Europe, data on 30 major teams. KO2 data disk.
--Kick Off 3.
--Player Manager 2.

Atari (US/UK):

--------In the works:
--Road Riot 4WD, conversion of the wacky armed buggy racing coin-op.
Special version for STEs and TTs only.
--Steel Talons, conversion of the really neat helicopter
shoot'em'up/sim, also a coin-op. Special version for STEs and TTs only.

Audiogenic (UK):

--World Class Rugby: Five Nations Edition.
--------In the works:
--Graham Gooch's World Class Cricket, just what everybody needs...
--SuperLeague Manager, soccer management.
--World Class Soccer, soccer.

Avalon Hill (US):

--------In the works:
--Diplomacy, computer conversion of their classic boardgame.

Beaujolly (UK): (Compilation specialist)

--Big Box 2, contains Defenders Of The Earth, Rampage, King Of Chicago,
R*Type, Predator 2, Incredible Shrinking Sphere, Bombuzal, Sinbad And The
Throne Of The Falcon, Back To The Future III, and TV Sports Football.
--The Greatest, contains Lure Of The Temptress, Shuttle, and Whilrwind
Snooker, all from Virgin.

CDS (UK):

--Leeds United Champions, yet another soccer management program.

Cocktel Vision (FR):

--Fascination, R-rated graphic adventure, 2 disks.
--------In the works:
--Bargon Attack, Space Invaders in Paris?!?!?

Codemasters (UK): (Budget game kings of the Universe!)

--Bignose (Obitus), last seen on the NES.
--Captain Dynamo, vertical-scrolling platform game. Nice graphics.
--Cartoon Collection, contains Seymour Goes To Hollywood, Slightly Magic, Spike In Transylvania, Treasure Island Dizzy, and CJ's Elephant Antics.
--Dizzy's Excellent Adventures, contains Kwik Snax, Prince Of The Yolkfolk, Bubble Dizzy, Panic Dizzy, and Spellbound Dizzy.
--Firehawk, overhead-view omni-scrolling helicopter shoot'em'up. This particular title is not budget priced.
--Slightly Magic, action-adventure.
--Steg, a cutesy platform puzzler starring a slug. Yes, a slug... But what a slug! Feed your baby slugs by trapping maggots in bubbles and making sure they arrive in the nest. Weird and somewhat tough.
--Super All-Stars, contains Robin Hood: Legend Quest, C.J. In The USA, Steg, Magicland Dizzy, and Captain Dynamo.
--Tilt, no details.
--------In the works:
--Crystal Kingdom Dizzy, cute sideview platform action-adventure.
--Slicks, overhead-view omni-scrolling racing.
--Soccer Pinball, the fun of pinball with the scoring scheme of soccer.
--Super Seymour Saves The Planet, no details.

Core Design (UK):

--The Adventurers, contains Corporation, Hunter (Activision), and Supremacy (known as Overlord in the US) (Virgin).
--Doodlebug, console-style platform game starring an Atom Ant look-alike.
--Heimdall, isometric viking action-adventure. 1 meg.
--------In the works:
--Curse Of Enchantia, graphic adventure.
--Jaguar XJ220 Sports Racing, race against Ferrari F40s and Porsche 959s. Looks like Core wants a piece of the Lotus/Gremlin pie!
--Premiere, platform game based in a movie studio.

Daze Marketing (UK): (New home of Silmarils)

--Action Sport, contains Advantage Tennis (Infogrames), Killerball (Microids), Super Ski 2 (Microids), and Grand Prix 500cc 2 (Microids).
--Bunny Bricks, cartoony platform baseball-bat brick-bashing! Monochrome compatible.
--Fantasy Pak, contains Crystals Of Arborea, Boston Bomb Club, Colorado.
--Ishar: Legend Of The Fortress, sequel to Crystals Of Arborea. Dungeon Master style 3D fantasy RPG. 2 disks, color and mono compatible, STE.
--Magic Worlds, contains Crystals Of Arborea, Dragon's Breath, and Storm Master.
--Transarctica, another steampunk game. The Earth is in the grips of a new ice age, and the only mode of tranportation is the steam train. You know how to bring the Earth back to normal, so the coal union wants you dead, since it would kill their business. DS, 1 meg.
--------In the works:
--Ishar 2: The Messengers Of Doom, fantasy CRPG.
--The Patrician, medieval strategy game from Germany.

Delphine (FR): see US Gold (UK)...

Digital Integration (UK):

--Gobliiins (Coktel Vision), an amusing fantasy mouse-driven non-scrolling puzzler. Comes on 3 disks.
--Gobliins 2: The Prince Buffoon (Coktel Vision).
--Ween: The Prophecy (Cocktel Vision), fantasy graphic adventure. DS.
--------In the works:
--The Drift, futuristic CRPG.
--Supaplex, a Boulderdash remake.
--Tornado, simulation of the Panavia Tornado multi-role combat aircraft
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Action 16 (UK): (Repackaged oldies priced to go!)

--Action Pack, contains Cosmic Pirate (Palace), Rotor (Arcana), Eliminator (Hewson), On Safari (Infogrames), Maya (?), Fast Lane (Artronics), Hostages (Infogrames), Sherman M-4 (Loriciel), Targhan (Gainstar), and Colorado (Palace/Silmarils).
--Advanced Destroyer Simulator (Futura).
--A.T.F. 2.
--Colorado (Silmarils).
--Disc (Loriciel).
--Final Command (UBI Soft).
--Gridrunner (Llamasoft).
--Falcon 1.2 (Spectrum Holobyte).
--Flight Of The Intruder (Spectrum Holobyte).
--Hostages (Infogrames).
--Iron Lord (UBI Soft).
--Jupiter's Masterdrive (UBI Soft).
--Kult (Exxos).
--Mystical (UBI Soft).
--North And South (Infogrames).
--Rotor (Arcana).
--Rotox (US Gold).
--Sherman M4 (Loriciel).
--SimCity Terrain Editor (Infogrames).
--Sir Fred (UBI Soft).
--Tennis Cup (Loriciel).
--Tintin On The Moon (Infogrames).

Digital Reality (UK): (Budget)

--Accelerator, omni-scrolling overhead-view Super Sprint style racing.

Dinamic (SP):

--------In the works:
--Arctic Moves, snow version of Army Moves/Navy Moves.
--Mega Fenix, an updated version of that ancient Centuri coin-op classic, Phoenix. A blast from the past!

Domark (UK):

--AV-8B Harrier Assault (Simis), simulation of the AV-8B Harrier used

by the US Marines. 1 meg, DS, STE, TT.
--European Football Champ, soccer. It's all they ever think about!!
--Rugby: The World Cup, rugby.
--Shadowlands (Teque), isometric fantasy CRPG. DS only, comes on 2 disks. 1 meg enhanced. Realistic area lighting effect: you can only see what's in range of your light source. Anime-style character graphics.
--TNT 2, contains Hard Drivin' 2, Badlands, Hydra, S.T.U.N. Runner, and Skulls & Crossbones.
--------In the works:
--Championship Manager, soccer. 2 disks, 1 meg required, up to 4 players.
--Columbus (Matthew Stibbe), the guy who "bumped" into America. Probably a mouse-driven strategy game.
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Tengen (UK): (Conversions of Atari Games coin-ops.)

--Rampart, the strange game of ship sinking and Tetris-like wall repair. Pretty good conversion, it's just as hard as the coin-op <Grrrr...>.
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Respray (UK): (Domark's budget label.)

--APB (Tengen).
--Hard Drivin' (Tengen).
--Licence To Kill.
--Shufflepuck Cafe (Broderbund).
--Toobin' (Tengen).
--Typhoon Thompson In: Search For The Sea Child (Broderbund).

Dream Factory (UK): see Digital Integration (UK)...

Electronic Arts (UK):

--Castles (Interplay), medieval strategy game. Build your very own castle, or rather, round up enough materials and people to have it built.
--Powermonger: World War I Edition (Bullfrog), as promised. DS only.
--Risky Woods (Dinamic), sideview scrolling platform game.
--------In the works:
--Birds Of Prey (Argonaut), 3D polygons flight combat simulation. 40 different modern-day aircrafts: Eagle, Tomcat, Falcon, Hornet, A-10 Warthog, SR-71 Blackbird, F-117, B-52, B-1, B-2 Stealth Bomber, C-130 Hercules, Tornado, and a bunch of MIGs, SUs, and TUs, as well as a 747. Missions include tank busting, airdrops, bombing, aerial recon, and CAPs (Combat Air Patrols).
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Millenium (UK):

--Kid Gloves II, basic Wonderboy style cutesy hack'n'slash platform.
--Steel Empire (formerly Cybornetics), strategic game with mechs. 2 disks, DS only, 1 meg, STE.
--------In the works:
--The Aquatic Games, a fishy parody of Epyx-style sports games starring James Pond. 11 events to choose from.
--Chinto's Revenge (Wing Lai), overhead-view action-adventure.
--Daughter Of Serpents (Eldritch Software), spooky 1920's Egyptian mystery.
--Global Effect, no details.
--Haunted House, devious scrolling platform game.
--James Pond 3: Splash Gordon, fishes in space!!
--Strike Command, sequel to Thunderstrike.

--Tentacle (Eldritch The Cat), sideview scrolling space shoot'em'up.
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Star Performers: (EA's budget label)

--Battle Chess (Interplay).
--Flood (Bullfrog).
--The Immortal (Sandcastle Productions).
--Magic Fly.
--Populous (Bullfrog).
--Projectyle (Eldritch The Cat).
--Starflight.

Elite (UK):

--Movie Premiere, contains Back To Future II (Imageworks), Gremlins 2, Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (Imageworks), and Days Of Thunder (Mindscape).
--------In the works:
--Caveman Ninja (Eldritch The Cat), Data East coin-op.
--Edward Randy, Data East coin-op.
--European Championship 1992, conversion of Tecmo's World Cup 90.
--Last Battle, a beat'em up currently on the Sega Genesis.
--Suzuka GP/Winning Run 2, Namco coin-op.

Empire (US): see Readysoft (CA)...

Empire (UK): see Entertainment International (UK)...

Entertainment International (UK):

Arcade Masters (UK):

--Cool Croc Twins, cutesy sideview platform game.
--Volfied (Arcade Masters), Taito coin-op sequel to Qix. Even has powerups!
--------In the works:
--Magic Boy, no details.
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Empire (UK):

--Campaign, WWII 3D polygons wargame. DS, hard-drivable.
--International Sports Challenge (Harlequin), not your average joystick waggling multi-sports game! It includes the marathon, several diving, swimming, and cycling events, and show jumping (that's the horse obstacle course jumping event). Get this: show jumping and all cycling is in 1st person perspective with 3D polygons! That's a little unusual...
--Pacific Islands (ODE), sequel to Team Yankee. 3D wargame. STE, DS only.
--------In the works:
--Award Winners, contains Dragon's Lair (Readysoft), Kick Off 2 (Anco), Populous (Electronic Arts), and Pipe Mania (aka Lucasfilm's Pipedream).
--Cyber Space (ODE), cyberpunk CRPG. Sep '93.
--Eye Of The Storm (Jason Kingsley), 3D polygons space combat game.
--MegaTraveller 2: Quest For The Ancients, hopefully better than 1.
--Soccer Stars, contains Emlyn Hughes International Soccer, Microprose Soccer, Gazza II, and Kick Off 2 (Anco).
--Twilight 2000, another Paragon Software RPG conversion. Squad-level combat in Post-WWIII Eastern Europe.

--War In The Gulf (formerly Pacific Islands II), back in the Middle East.

Fair Dinkum (US):

--Cyberdrome (Rhea-FX), hovercar simulation/shoot'em'up/strategy thingy. 1 or 2 players (head-to-head). Modem and datalink support.

Flair (UK):

--Elvira: The Arcade Game, a not-so-bad sideview omni-scrolling platform shoot'em'up starring everybody's favorite Mistress Of The Dark.
2 disks, 1 meg enhanced, STE enhanced.
--Winter Supersports '92, 8 events: bobsled, luge, giant slalom, speed skating, snowmobile racing, downhill, bale jumping, and pro-ski (?).

Floppy Shop (UK): (Budget)

--Around The World, just plain bad platform game. Avoid.

Futura (FR): see Loriciel (FR)...

GBH (UK): see Gremlin (UK)...

Gonzo Games (UK):

--Brides Of Dracula, sideview scrolling action-adventure where you can be good ol' Drac or Van Helsing. 2 players simultaneous with split-screen.

Grandslam (UK):

--Die Hard 2: Die Harder, movie license.
--England Championship Special, action soccer.
--Grandslam Collection, and it's nothing to be proud of! England, Terramex, Saint and Greavsie, The Flintstones, Running Man, Espionage, Scramble Spirits, Peter Beardsley's International Soccer, and Terry's Big Adventure. Avoid this compilation at all cost!
--------In the works:
--Beavers (Arc Dev), cutesy sideview platform game.
--Liverpool FC, soccer.
--Nick Faldo's Golf (Arc Dev), celebrity-endorsed golf.

Gremlin (UK):

--Lotus III: The Ultimate Challenge, starring the Lotus Concept 200, Elan, and Turbo Esprit. It has a track editor that uses assorted gauges to generate a password consisting of letters and numbers. It can generate a total of 3 billion racing courses! But, you're basically getting Lotus Turbo Challenge II with a construction set. It's a little samey...
--Nigel Mansell's World Championship, 3D Formula 1 racing game. Feels like somebody tried to cross the excellent Vroom with the mediocre Lotus Games. Not very good at all. Stick to Vroom or Microprose F1 Grand Prix.

STE compatible.
--Plan 9 From Outer Space, mouse-driven graphic adventure. Search for the original movie reels and splice the movie back together. 4 disks.
--Space Crusade, conversion of the boardgame Space Hulk. Overhead and isometric view strategic wargame. Take your squad of Space Marines through several hazardous missions aboard huge derelict spaceships.
--Utopia: The New Worlds, data disk.
--The Voyage Beyond, mission disk for Space Crusade. 10 new missions.
--------In the works:
--Daemonsgate 1 (Imagitec), fantasy CRPG.
--Flag (Ian Harling), wargame.
--HeroQuest Twin Pack, contains HeroQuest and its first data disk, Return Of The Witchlord.
--Jelly Bean, puzzler.
--Legacy Of Sorasil, an HeroQuest sequel. Could be a data disk.
--Little Divil, no details.
--Pegasus, shoot'em'up.
--Premier Manager, another soccer management program.
--Space Crusade 2, no details.
--Zool, a console-quality platform game from the "Switchblade 2" team.
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GBH: (Gremlin's budget label)

--Cloud Kingdoms (Millenium).
--Combo Racer.
--Deflektor.
--Footballer Of the Year II.
--Horror Zombies From The Crypt.
--Impossamole.
--International 3D Tennis.
--Jahangir Khan's Squash (Krisalis).
--James Pond (Millenium).
--Kid Gloves (Millenium).
--Lotus Esprit Turbo Challenge.
--Manchester United (Krisalis).
--Manix (Millenium).
--Mindbender.
--Narco Police (Dinamic).
--Resolution 101 (Millenium).
--Shoot'Em'Up Construction Kit (S.E.U.C.K.) (Palace).
--Supercars.
--Team Suzuki.
--Thunderstrike (Millenium).
--Toyota Celica GT Rally.
--Ultimate Golf.
--Venus: The Flytrap.
--Videokid.
--Voodoo Nightmare.
--World Championship Boxing Manager.
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GBH Gold: (Slightly more expensive than normal GBH titles)

--BSS Jane Seymour.
--Greg Norman's Ultimate Golf (Virgin).
--Manchester United (Krisalis).
--Super Cars II.
--Switchblade II.

Hewson (UK): see 21st Century Entertainments (UK)...

Hi-Tec Software (UK): (Lo-Tec is closer to the truth! Budget stuff)

--Alien World (Pal Dev), sideview scrolling shoot'em'up. Venus: The Flytrap meets R*Type and Alien after too many drinks. Ugh...
--Jetsons (221b), flick-scrolling action-adventure.
--Potsworth And Co, British cartoon license. Platform game (of course!).
--Yogi's Big Clean Up, would you believe... Another platform game? Yup.
--------In the works:
--Johnny Quest, no details.
--Quick Draw McGraw, no details.

The Hit Squad (UK): see Ocean (UK)...

IF... (UK): see Impressions (UK)...

Imageworks (UK): see Mirrorsoft (UK)...

Impressions (US): see Merit Software (US)...

Impressions (UK):

--Airbucks, strategic business simulation. It's 1946; you have a DC-3 and some cash. Your objective: build up a world-class airline.
--Caesar, SimCity meets the Roman Empire.
--Discovery: In The Steps Of Columbus (Golden Sector), kinda like 7 Cities Of Gold (remember that one? No? Oh...). DS only.
--Paladin 2, no details, DS only.
--Samurai: The Way Of The Warrior, no details.
--Warriors Of Releyne, fantasy strategy game.
--------In the works:
--Rules Of Engagement 2 (Omnitrend).
--When Two Worlds War, no details.

Impulze (UK): see Zeppelin (UK)...

Kixx (UK): see US Gold (UK)...

Konami (UK):

--------In the works:
--Frontier: Elite 2 (David Braben), long-long-long awaited sequel to the original ground-breaking space trading shoot'em'up, Elite.
Looks really-really nice. (Can you tell I'm drooling over this one? <G>)

Krisalis (UK):

--Sabre Team, isometric S.A.S. version of Special Forces. 1 meg.

--Shadoworlds, futuristic sequel to Shadowlands (Domark). Isometric RPG. The graphics still look like they came from a Japanese animated series. 1 meg required, 2 disks.
--------In the works:
--John Barnes European Football, still more soccer.

Loriciel (FR):

--Bumpy's Arcade Fantasy, non-scrolling cutesy bouncing puzzler. Kinda fun.
--Sport's Best, contains Panza Kick Boxing, Tennis Cup, and Turbo Cup.
--Steve McQueen Westphaser, this is an Operation Wolf style shoot'em'up in a Western setting. Other than that, the reasons for involving poor old Steve escape me...
--Tennis Cup II, more of the same. Split-screen, digitized sounds.
--Tiny Skweeks, cute but weird puzzler-platform thing.
--------In the works:
--Baby Jo 2, more baby platform fun-stration.
--The Cartoons, kinda like Lemmings.
--Jim Power, yet another platform game.
--Out Board, overhead-view boat racing.
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Futura (FR):

--D-Day, big multi-aspect WWII simulator wargame. Seems to incorporate pieces of Sherman M4. Slow as molasses.

Merit Software (US): (Traders was cancelled)

--Fighting For Rome (Impressions), US version of Cohort. Roman-era wargame.
--The Final Conflict (Impressions), WWIII wargame.
--Merchant Colony (Impressions/Video Vulture), strategic game of American colonies management in the 18th century. Mouse-driven.

Microdaft (US): (British imports)

--Rotor (Arcana), mission-driven Oids style game, but you don't save anybody.

Microids (FR): (Not-so-good games)

--Nicky Boom, omni and flick-scrolling cutesy platform game. Eurgh!
--Dominium, no details.

Microprose (UK):

--Civilization, it's here! 1 meg, STE, hard-drivable.
--Knights Of The Sky, 3D polygons WWI simulation. DS only, 2 disks, 1 meg, hard-drivable. The cure for Artech's really nasty Blue Max!
--Microprose Formula 1 Grand Prix (Geoff Crammond/Pete Cooke), 3D polygons Formula 1 racing simulator from the man who dreamt up Stunt Car Racer. Comes on 4 DS disks, supports 2 drives, and has a built-in copy program. Very decent frame rate considering the amount of detail. STE.
--Special Forces (Sleepless Knights), a sort of sequel to Airborne Ranger. Overhead-view tactical commando game. DS only, STE.

--------In the works:
--Advanced Tactical Air Command (ATAC), part flight sim, part strategy game. It's a war on drugs.
--The Ancient Art Of War In The Skies, WWI strategic air combat.
--B-17 Flying Fortress (Vektorgrafix), 3D polygons combat simulator.
--Legacy (Magnetic Scrolls), horror graphic adventure.

Millenium UK: see Electronic Arts UK...

Mindscape (UK): (They've dropped the ST)

--D/Generation (Abersoft), isometric action-adventure. 1 meg, STE.
--Legend (TAG), isometric fantasy graphic adventure from the design team behind Bloodwych (Imageworks).
--Ultima VI: The False Prophet, fantasy RPG. 1 meg required, hard-drivable.

Mirage (UK):

--------In the works:
--Ragnarok, chess-like strategy game.

Mythos Games (UK):

--------In the works:
--Laser Squad II, sequel to the Blade Software game of tactical powered armor infantry combat.

Novagen (UK): (Paul Woakes' company)

--Mercenary III: The Dion Crisis (formerly Damocles 2: Double Trouble), further adventures in the Damocles Universe. No more flying around, you have to use the mass transit systems (cabs, buses, commuter ships, spaceships, etc...). There are some people to interact with. More of a graphic adventure than ever!

Ocean (UK):

--Cool World (Twilight), platform beat'em'up. 1 meg, DS.
--Espana: The Games '92, 30 sporting events. 1 meg, DS, TT compatible.
--Hook, based on the movie. Graphic adventure very similar to Secret Of Monkey Island, but less sophisticated. 3 DS disks, 1 meg, STE, mouse-driven.
--Lethal Weapon, platform shoot'em'up. DS, 1 meg enhanced.
--Push-Over (Red Rat), puzzler, DS. Set-up dominoes and make them fall over. TT compatible.
--Sleepwalker, platform. Only works on the STE. DS, 1 meg.
--Wizkid (Sensible Software), sequel to the classic Wizball. Looks demented.
--WWF: European Rampage Tour, more "wrestling" action, 1 meg, DS.
--------In the works:
--The Dream Team, contains WWF Wrestlemania, Terminator 2, and The Simpsons: Bart Versus The Space Mutants.
--Retaliator II (Digital Image Design), 3D polygons flight simulator with a new batch of aircrafts: Apache gunships, A-10s Warthogs, Navy F-22Bs, SU-27 Frogfoots (Frogfeet?), Hind-D gunships, and the bogus MIG

Ferret stealth fighter. You can finally perform real carrier landings.
--Snow Bros (Ocean France), coin-op conversion. The 2-players simultaneous mode has been dropped!!
--Super Fighter, contains Final Fight, WWF Wrestlemania, and Pitfighter
--Universal Monsters, no relation to Universal Soldier, this is an isometric action-adventure starring Universal Studios' monsters (Dracula, Frankenstein and Bride, Wolfman, the Creature from the Black Lagoon).
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The Hit Squad (UK): (Repackaged oldies priced to go!)

--Afterburner (Activision).
--Batman: The Caped Crusader.
--Batman: The Movie.
--Beach Volley.
--Bubble Bobble (Firebird).
--Cabal.
--Castle Master (Domark).
--Chase HQ.
--Cybernoid II (Hewson).
--Dragonninja, also known as Bad Dudes (Data East).
--Escape From The Planet Of The Robot Monsters (Domark/Tengen).
--Head Over Heels, an old 8-bit classic makes it to the ST.
--Hudson Hawk.
--IK+ (System 3).
--Ivanhoe.
--The Last Ninja 2 (System 3).
--Lombard RAC Rally (Mandarin).
--Midnight Resistance.
--Narc.
--Navy Moves (Dinamic).
--Nebulus (Hewson), also sold as Tower Toppler by Epyx.
--The New Zealand Story.
--Nightbreed.
--Operation Thunderbolt.
--Pang.
--Pictionary.
--Platoon.
--Power Drift (Activision).
--Predator.
--Prince Of Persia (Domark).
--Pro Tennis Tour (UBI Soft).
--Puffy's Saga (UBI Soft).
--Puzznic.
--Rambo III (Taito).
--Rainbow Islands.
--RBI 2 Baseball (Tengen).
--Red Heat.
--Run The Gauntlet.
--Shadow Warriors (Virgin).
--Sly Spy Secret Agent.
--Super Hang-on (Electric Dreams).
--Test Drive II: The Duel (Accolade).
--Total Recall.
--Trivial Pursuit (Domark).
--The Untouchables.
--Voyager.

On-Line (UK):

--------In the works:
--Chaos In Andromeda, no details.

Oxford Softworks (UK):

--5 Intelligent Strategy Games, haw-haw. You get chess, bridge, go, backgammon, and draughts (that's checkers to us Americans). DS only, monochrome compatible.
--Omar Sharif's Bridge, and he teaches you too! DS, STE, TT.

Pandora (UK): see Interceptor (UK)...

Pocket Power (UK): (Budget: 2.99 Pounds)

--Archipelagos (Logotron).
--Bad Company (Logotron).
--Beyond The Ice Palace (Elite).
--Deflektor (Gremlin).
--Eye Of Horus (Logotron).
--Quadralien (Logotron).
--Starblaze (Logotron).
--Stargoose (Logotron).
--StarRay (Logotron).

Psygnosis (US/UK): (Lemmings 2: The Tribes release immninent)

--Air Support, multi-vehicle combat simulated inside a large military mainframe. Supports monochromatic (red/blue) 3D glasses.
--The Carl Lewis Challenge (Tex Designs), track and field. 2 disks.
--Dungeon Master/Chaos Strikes Back, UK release only, 3 disks.
--Lemmings/Oh No! More Lemmings, twin-pack combining the original game and the expansion disk (100 extra levels). A must-buy.
--Ork (DMA Design), sideview scrolling fantasy shoot'em'up. Shadow Of The Beast meets Killing Game Show. Free hint book enclosed (sure beats another dumb t-shirt!). 2 disks.
--------In the works:
--Armour-Geddon II, bigger-better-faster? Easier would be nice.
--Bill's Excellent Tomato Game, cutesy platform. Pass the ketchup!
--C.A.P. (Combat Air Patrol), mission-driven combat jet simulator.
--Lemmings 2: The Tribes, bigger-better-more. This time, there are 12 different tribes of Lemmings tp lay with. Each one has specific skills.
--Microcosm, a game inspired by Fantastic Voyage.
--Red Zone, motorcycle racing simulator.
--Shadow Of The Beast III.
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Sizzlers (UK): (Budget re-issues.)

--Anarchy.
--Baal.
--Ballistix.
--Blood Money.
--Captain Fizz Meets The Blastertrons.
--Menace.
--Spellbound.

--Shadow Of The Beast.
--Stryx.

Rainbow Arts (DL): (They're being awfully quiet. I don't like it...)

--------In the works:
--Centerbase, futuristic trade and strategy game.
--Fate: Gates Of Dawn, fantasy CRPG.
--Mad TV, no details.
--M.U.D.S. (Mean Ugly Dirty Sport), from the man who brought you Grand Monster Slam. Overhead view scrolling monster sport.
--Rescue On Fractalus, ST version of the classic Lucasfilm fractal-using flight simulator/shoot'em'up.
--Rotator, rotating overhead view tank shoot'em'up.
--Transatlantic, the sequel to Black Gold/Oil Imperium. Mouse-driven strategic business simulation. This time, you're in charge of a company that operates ocean-going vessels. You make all the decisions.

Readysoft (CA):

--Animation Classics Pack, contains Dragon's Lair II: Time Warp, Space Ace, and Wrath Of The Demon. That comes out to about 15 disks!
--Dragon's Lair III: The Curse Of Mordread, she's the sister of the evil wizard Mordrok (whom you killed), and boy is she cheesed!
--Guy Spy, Indiana Jones style action-adventure. 6 disks.
--------In the works:
--Guy Spy II: Terror Of The Deep, no details.
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Empire (US):

--Campaign, WWII 3D polygons wargame. DS, hard-drivable.
--Pacific Islands (ODE), sequel to Team Yankee. 3D wargame. STE, DS only.
--------In the works:
--Cyberspace (ODE), cyberpunk CRPG. Sep '93.
--War In The Gulf (formerly Pacific Islands II), once more into the breach.

Renegade (UK): (Chaos Engine release imminent)

--Fire And Ice (Graftgold), cutesy platform game. Saved from Mirrorsoft.
--Sensible Soccer (Sensible), a more Speedball-like approach to soccer. The players are so small, they're cute! It's incredibly fast too.
--Sensible Soccer: European Champions.
--------In the works:
--Chaos Engine (Bitmap Brothers), overhead-view scrolling action-adventure shoot'em'up with up to 3 players (human or computer). Victorian sci-fi (ie: Steampunk). STE Enhanced.

Simulmondo (IT):

--Football Champ, a redesigned version of their earlier "I Play 3D Soccer".

Sizzlers (UK): see Psygnosis (US/UK)...

Starbyte (DL):

--Crime Time, framed for murder in a foreign land, you must prove your innocence and get back home. Mouse-driven graphic adventure.
--------In the works:
--Crown, graphic adventure.
--Lords Of Doom, fantasy graphic adventure.
--The Return Of Medusa, sequel to the fantasy wargame Rings Of Medusa. This time, it has 3D dungeons. 3 disks.
--Spirit Of Adventure, CRPG.

Star Performers (UK): see Electronic Arts (UK)...

Storm (UK):

--Danny Sullivan's Indy Heat, in the same vein as "Ironman" Super Off-Road, but with Indy cars. Leland coin-op conversion.
--Final Blow, basic sideview boxing.
--------In the works:
--Asylum, no details.
--Brute Force, no details.
--The Lawnmower Man, no details.
--Solar Jetman: Hunt For The Golden Warship, no details.

Strike Force Designs (UK):

--------In the works:
--Touchdown! American Football, team management.

Sublogic (US):

--Great Britain Scenery Collection, for Flight Simulator II.
--------In the works
--California Collection, for Flight Simulator II.

System 3 (UK):

--The Last Ninja 3, isometric flick-scrolling beat'em'up. 2 disks.
--------In the works:
--Changeling, featuring a shape-shifting machine.
--Constructor, mouse-driven house-building on another planet.
--International Karate Deluxe, beat'em'up.
--Myth, mythological shoot'em'up.
--Silly Putty, platform game.
--Turbo Charge, driving game.
--Vendetta, Commando-style shooting, driving, and strategy, all rolled into 1.

TEAM Software (US):

--------In the works:
--3 Days At Gettysburg (Marshall Lake & Piet Francke), Civil War wargame of the Battle of Gettysburg.

Tengen (UK): see Domark UK...

Thalamus (UK):

--Creatures (WJS), cutesy platform game.
--------In the works:
--Arsenal F.C., more soccer.
--Restrictor (Arc Developments), 3D sci-fi driving and flying shoot'em'up.
--Summer Camp (Creative Materials), cutesy platform game.

Thalion (DL):

--Amberstar, fantasy CRPG in the Ultima mold. Hard-drivable.
--Ghost Battle (Interactive Design), this one really sucks! Budget Ghosts'N'Goblins.
--No Second Prize, another Team-Suzuki style motorcycle racing game. Funny thing is, they announced it 3 years ago and at that time, it was a car racing game!
--------In the works:
--Ambermoon, sequel to Amberstar.
--Dragonflight II, graphic adventure.
--Tower FRA, an air traffic control simulation.

Titus (UK/FR): (Some of the worst games ever released, until now...)

--Crazy Cars III, 3D racing game.
--Titus The Fox, nice cutesy sideview platform game. STE. That's funny, I always thought that their mascot was a cat, not a fox...
--------In the works:
--Battle Storm, sci-fi shoot'em'up.
--The Brainies, no details.
--Crazy Bikes, no details.
--Super Cauldron, platform game.
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Titus Budget (UK/FR): (Bad games that should be given away for free.)

--Crazy Cars 2, with super-duper-sensitive-mouse-control-from-Hades steering, it's virtually impossible to play. Nice graphics though...
--Fire And Forget 2, this one is actually kinda fun. Apocalyptic shooter.
--Hot Rubber, aka Grand Prix 500cc II by Microids, a company almost as bad as Titus itself. It's an average bike racing game, very average.
--Knight Force, let's just say it's absolute crap and leave it at that.
--Offshore Warrior, bad. Think of a bad thing. This is 500 times worse.
--Prehistorik, ho-hum.
--Swap, some sort of puzzler from Palace UK (RIP).
--Titan, omni-directional somewhat boring Arkanoid.
--Wild Streets, bad. Very bad.

Touchdown (UK): (New kid on the budget block)

--Better Dead Than Alien (Electra).
--Emlyn Hughes International Soccer.
--Gazza's Super Soccer.

--Gazza 2.
--Paradroid 90.
--Pipe Mania (Empire).
--Time.
--Sleeping Gods Lie (Empire).
--Stormtrooper.

Trojan (UK): (Makers of the Trojan light gun for STs.)

--Cyber Assault, futuristic DM-style shoot'em'up.
--The Enforcer, gangster-era shoot'em'up.
--Firestar, kinda like Defender with a light gun...

Turcan Research Systems (UK):

--Dreadnoughts, WWI text-driven 3D warship wargame. Hard-drivable.
--------In the works:
--Bismarck, Dreadnoughts data disk covering the major surface-only battles of WWII (River Plate, sinking of Graf Spee, 3 Bismarck scenarios, Battle of the Java Sea, and The Battle Of North Cape/sinking of Scarnhorst).
--Ironclads, Dreadnoughts data disk of pre-WWI engagements (Sino-Japanese War of 1894 and the Russo-Japanese War of 1904 to 1905).

21st Century Entertainments (UK): (formerly Hewson UK)

--Deliverance, sequel to Hewson's Stormlord. Looks like Shadow Of The Beast.
--Rubicon, sideview scrolling shoot'em'up. Annoying disk swapping every time the game is over and you want to restart. Nothing earth-shattering...
--------In the works:
--Nebulus 2, sequel to that innovative game sold as Tower Toppler by Epyx. Probably a platform/puzzler/shoot'em'up.
--Pinball Dreams (Spidersoft), conversion of an Amiga-only title.

UBI Soft (UK/FR):

--B.A.T. II, futuristic graphic adventure. DS, 5 disks.
--Dyna Blaster, conversion of a HudsonSoft console game called Bomberman. It's a blow'em'up in a maze. 1 meg required, supports up to 5 players, and comes with a multi-player adapter.
--Fantastic Worlds, contains Realms (Virgin), Pirates (Microprose), Wonderland (Virgin), Mega lo Mania (Imageworks), and Populous (EA).
--Maupiti Island (Lankhor), graphic adventure with speech.
--Mega lo Mania/First Samurai, DS only.
--Multi-Player Vroom (Lankhor), you can't keep a good game down!! This version adds 2-player action via split-screen, a 1 player vs. CPU mode, 4 different skill levels, joystick support and 6 new racetracks: Adelaide (OZ), Imola (San Marino), Monaco, Pace (Brazil), Catalunya (Spain), and Spa-Francorchamps (Belgium). You can still race the other tracks if you own Vroom and the Vroom Data Disc. Go Speed Racer!!
--Vroom (Lankhor), the greatest Formula 1 racing game I have ever seen on any machine, computer or console!! Can be played in 3 different modes: arcade (joystick or mouse), training (mouse), and race (mouse). Modem and datalink support. Fast and smoooooth!!! But if you want a game with more accurate racetracks and a 3D simulator feel to it, check out Microprose Formula One Grand Prix.

--Vroom Data Disc, 6 more tracks to race on: Hockenheim (DL), Mexico, Estoril (Portugal), Monza (IT), Montreal (CA), and Interlagos (Brazil). Adds joystick support for all the other race modes.
--------In the works:
--Celtic Legends, fantasy wargame.
--Lightquest, sideview action/adventure.
--Star Rush, shoot'em'up.
--Stuart Pearce's Football Compilation, contains Kick Off 2, World Championship Soccer, International Soccer Challenge, and Manchester United.

US Gold (UK):

--California Games II, featuring snowboarding, boogeyboarding, hang gliding, jet skiing, and skateboarding (again). 2 disks.
--The Godfather: Action Game (Software Creations), multi-format. DS only.
--Indiana Jones And The Fate Of Atlantis, isometric action-adventure. 1 meg required, DS.
--Mega Sports, 30 sporting events! This compilation contains all the events from The Games: Summer Edition (never released on the ST), Winter Games, and California Games. Truly, an Epyx package <grin>.
--Raving Mad, contains Rodland, Mega Twins, James Pond II: Codename Robocod, and a random title from the Kixx line-up (see below).
--Street Fighter II, coin-op beat'em'up. DS, 4 disks.
--------In the works:
--Blade Of Destiny, fantasy CRPG.
--Citadel Of The Black Sun.
--The Godfather: Graphic Adventure (Delphine), no details yet.
--Greyhawk, a Dungeon Master style game.
--Legends Of Valour (Dimension Creative Design), fantasy 3D RPG. It's a bit like Alternate Reality: The City, but with full proportional movement and a Dungeon Master interface. Looks neat.
--Links (Access), think of it as Leaderboard III. 3D perspective golf.
--Magic Sword (Probe), CapCom coin-op conversion.
--The Manager (Software 2000), soccer. 3 disks, up to 4 players.
--Menander Brothers (Twilight), no details.
--Scrabble, a new conversion of the classic boardgame.
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Delphine (FR):

--Another World, "Cinematique" alternate reality action adventure. Looks strange. Plays like Prince Of Persia. It's really cool though!!!
--------In the works:
--Flashback, no details.
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Kixx (UK): (Repackaged oldies priced to go!)

--Action Fighter.
--Axel's Magic Hammer (Gremlin).
--Barbarian (Palace).
--Barbarian II (Palace).
--Bionic Commando (Go!).
--Blasteroids (Imageworks).
--California Games (Epyx).
--Conqueror (Rainbow Arts).
--Dragons Of Flame (SSI).
--Forgotten Worlds.
--The Games: Summer Edition (Epyx).
--Gary Lineker's Hot Shot (Gremlin).

--Gauntlet II.
--Ghouls'N'Ghosts.
--Hammerfist (Activision).
--Heroes Of The Lance (SSI).
--Impossible Mission II (Epyx).
--Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade Action Game (Lucasfilm).
--Italy 1990.
--John Lowe's Ultimate Darts (Gremlin).
--LED Storm.
--Moonwalker.
--1943.
--OutRun.
--Panza Kick Boxing (Futura).
--Rick Dangerous (Firebird).
--Roadblasters.
--Saint Dragon (Storm).
--Skidz (Gremlin).
--Steve Davis World Snooker (CDS).
--Street Fighter.
--Stunt Car Racer (MicroStyle).
--Super Monaco G.P.
--Super Scramble Simulator (Gremlin).
--Switchblade (Gremlin).
--3D Pool (Firebird).
--Thunder Blade.
--Tiger Road.
--Turbo OutRun.
--Turrican (Rainbow Arts).
--Turrican II (Rainbow Arts).
--Tusker (System 3).
--Vigilante.
--World Class Leaderboard.
--Z-Out (Rainbow Arts).
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Kixx XL: (Slightly more expensive than Kixx titles)

--Battlehawks 1942 (Lucasfilm).
--Future Wars (Delphine).
--Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade: The Graphic Adventure (Lucasfilm).
--Midwinter (Rainbird).
--Zak MacKraken And The Alien Mindbenders (Lucasfilm).

Virgin (UK):

Virgin Games:

--Lure Of The Temptress (Revolution Software), Lucasfilm-style adventure.
Digitized sound, mouse-only interface, nice graphics. Check it out!
1 meg required, DS only, supports 2 drives, comes on 4 disks.
--MacDonaldland (formerly McKids), cute platform game. 1 meg enhanced, STE.
--Motorhead (Kaitsu Software), where you get to control Motorhead's big
ugly frontman, Lemmy, and travel through various musical levels (Rapcity,
etc...) while beating up assorted non-metalheads. Push-scrolling.
--Shuttle (Vektorgrafix), total 3D simulator of the Space Shuttle. This
one makes learning Falcon look easy! 2 disks.
--3D Pool (Archer MacLean), using the Snooker graphic system. Simply the
best computer billiards and pool simulation of all time!
--------In the works:

--Apocalypse (Strangeways), helicopter game.
--Cannon Fodder (Sensible), army "Lemmings"!
--Goal (Dino Dini), the man behind Kick Off II jumps ship. New sophisticated soccer game with inertia simulation, acceleration, deceleration, and variable turn radii. Nifty!
--Dune (Cryo), loosely based on the movie. Strategic graphic adventure.
--Floor 13, graphic adventure. You're in charge of a super-secret branch of British intelligence.
--Reach For The Skies (Rowan Software), WWII 3D polygons combat simulator.
--Rookies (Perfect Set), squad-level mission-driven wargame, "Lemmings"-style.
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Tronix: (Budget games, formerly called Mastertronic)

--Double Dragon II.
--Golden Axe.
--Italia '90.
--Ivan 'Ironman' Stewart's Super Off-Road.
--Monty Python's Flying Circus.
--Viz.

Zeppelin Platinum(UK): (Budget stuff)

--Truck Racing, overhead-view omni-scrolling racing game involving big rigs and their trailers. Strange.

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